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AMATEUR BOWLING LEAGUE

Arranging to Play Football for the Championship—Unproven Charges of Rough Playing—Basketball League—Success—Institute Bowlers—Arlon Club—W. A. C. Notes.

The limit as to time for challenging the Columbia Athletic Club football team for a game for the championship of the District has very happily been taken off by the champions. Now the contest for the honor of challenging the present holders has settled down to a series of games between the hopefuls as suggested in last Sunday's Times.

"The survival of the fittest" will have an important bearing as to what team will go up against the Columbian. For the sake of the game and the honor of playing for the championship it is hoped that it will be a team strong enough to make a good showing and one worthy of the honor.

Football on Paper. Several games of football have been played by local teams in the past week during the past week and happily for some of them, no one was much hurt. It's a poor way to play a game. It's usually to make charges against a team which is undoubtedly the superior of any of the other local teams, and against which these charge returns, when in at least two cases, as this week, the charges were one in question. Whatever might "have been" must not be harbored up to the "now" without a practical demonstration of present existence. Playing football is not playing marbles, and in playing it there is no time for politeness.

AMATEUR BOWLING LEAGUE. The first game in the championship series of ten pins, to be played under the auspices of the Amateur Bowling League, will be bowled on the alleys of the Young Men's Catholic Club, on the 19th inst. The league is smaller than at any time since its organization, as this season only three teams will play a schedule of games against five or six formerly. The many restrictions placed about the make-up of teams, allies and the results not quite so one-sided as they were during the past week.

The three teams forming the league include the two-time champions, the Carrolls and the Y. M. C. C., and Washington Athletic Club, forming an aggregation of bowlers competent to win from a like number anywhere in any town. The series will be hotly contested. Amateur teams now are laying plans for the championship. "DISTRICT BASKETBALL LEAGUE." So far, so good.

Taking into consideration the style of playing of the several teams who have played in the league, however, since the beginning of the series, it is safe to say that there will be no good grounds for any dissatisfaction with the game during this season.

With a little more practice on the part of some of the teams, particularly in team passing, the games will be more evenly contested and the results not quite so one-sided as they were during the past week.

One of the reasons why a better class of ball is provided is that the three umpires have been elected to officiate in the schedule to be played, are comparatively disinterested parties, with a reputation for firmness and impartiality. The rules must and shall be rigidly enforced, and unnecessary rough playing will not be tolerated.

The next game to be played is between the Potomac Wheelmen and Y. M. C. C. A., on Wednesday evening next, but the playing field has not yet been decided upon.

COLUMBIA ATHLETIC CLUB. The football team of the Columbia Athletic Club has been unfortunate in its arrangements with out-of-town teams for games on Columbia Field. First one team then another has disappointed, the latest being the Athletic Club of the Schuylkill Navy, arranged for Friday afternoon. Rain in Philadelphia caused that city's team to cancel its game here, much to the disappointment of the local team, which was ready and willing to play, notwithstanding the slightly disagreeable weather here, chiefly because it did not want to disappoint the local admirers of the game.

Many of the college teams have canceled games scheduled to play the C. A. C. and in this wise the Schuylkill team was deprived of a game with the University of Virginia. Notwithstanding this, the team was coming down to play the C. A. C. and undoubtedly have been a big drawing card, and many regret that the weather prevented the game, which, however, may be played later on.

A game with the Orioles will be played on Wednesday next. For Saturday next the strong team of the Baltimore Athletic Club will play here on Columbia Field and it will be an exciting contest. The Orioles team is a heavy one, having nearly all of the big eight-poured crew which so

many of us admired in the last Potomac River Regatta.

The interest among the members in the coming carnival is ever on the increase and consequently the working force will be a large one.

The additional feature of a photographic gallery and a supplies booth connected therewith is favorably commented on and every one considers it a happy stroke of luck when the management secured the interest of H. Gray Douglass and Charles B. Fairman and J. Harper, three of the best known (local and international) amateur photographers in the business.

The athletic features for the carnival are being worked up and those who will take part on the various nights are taking lots of practice. The pyramid team meets on Tuesday and Friday evenings under the direction of Lieutenant Nolan and Eddie Sewell, in addition to whom the following will take part: Ross, Mooney, Holtz, Elder, McGuire, Spurrier, and Caelstra.

McGuire and Ambrose, who will give scientific sparring bouts during the carnival, are doing steady work under Professor George Carter.

Plans for the daily paper, the "Winged Arrow," are fast assuming shape and will be a brilliant feature of the carnival there is no doubt.

CARROLL INSTITUTE ATHLETICS. A large number of bowlers of the Carroll Institute are bowling for averages upon the roll of the exhibition. Capt. Anthony Rice feels assured that his team will be even stronger than that of last year and will in consequence make even a more brilliant showing.

Whitman, a new bowler at the C. I., is doing great work and the team will be strengthened by his presence.

The date of the athletic and gymnastic exhibition to be given this month has not yet been fixed.

Severcy and Shea are doing good all-round work in the gym.

McAfee is working up some new and difficult tricks for his brother act, which will be a feature of the exhibition.

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Basketball is played every night after the regular Thursday evening event. In the regular team is playing a fast, clean game, of which splendid passing is a feature.

Joe Bully and Mangan are playing a "state" game on the team.

The ladies' classes meet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 3:30 to 4:30, and after regular class work basketball is played.

WASHINGTON ATHLETIC CLUB. The bowling team of the Washington Athletic Club will be a very strong one this season, and will undoubtedly make a strong showing for the championship.

Members are now bowling for averages, and from among the players making the highest averages the team will be selected.

The club hopes to increase its membership during the coming thirty days, for which period the initiation fee has been reduced to \$5, and this entitles a member to all the privileges of the club.

The basketball team is showing great improvement in its work, and is playing a fast game. Akers and Sanderson are coaching the players.

not, after all, be acted upon by the executive committee, but will, it is stated, be allowed to stand as a game won. On Wednesday next '98 and '97 will play their second game.

The management was unfortunate in its selection of a date for holding the meet of yesterday. The heavy track made the "going" slow and the depressing weather during the preceding days did not serve to bring out the best work of the men entered.

Manager Douglas worked hard for the success of the affair and deserves the congratulations of his symphonies.

O. F. SCHMIDT.

BENTLE BROWN SNAKES. Live in Summer in Ditches and Creeks and Devour Small Fish.

It is hard for the average man or woman to believe that any species of the snake family would ever make attractive and interesting pets, says the New York World.

So strong is our hereditary hatred of serpents that many sensitive persons even dislike to read of them or their habits. Yet it is true that the venomous and ugly kinds are in the minority and that the several species are absolutely harmless and very gentle.

No better example of the latter sort need be cited than the brown snake—"the Kay's little brown snake," as it is more strictly known. While not so common a variety as the true garter snakes (which name is applied by the average individual to about five or six separate varieties), yet they may be found in their favorite haunts all through the spring, summer and part of the fall in Connecticut, New Jersey and New York.

The muddily ditches, shallow creeks and spring brooks are the chosen abiding places of the brown snakes in the early months. One of the first species to leave winter quarters, they may always be found sunning on flat stones or dry logs by the creek.

They are graceful in every movement and quicker than thought. When once they decide to devour a small frog or an aquatic insect it is the surest and swiftest sort of death to the victim. Initiating their larger brethren, the real water moccasins, these midges are fast, fearless swimmers and spend much of their time in pursuing small fish. They catch a nervous number of chubs and shiners.

When the crisp nights and dawns of September come the little brown snakes take to the land. In sunny, cozy corners and hollows, carpeted with dry leaves, they may be found sleeping basking as late as the end of October. The cooler weather seems to drive them from their aquatic retreats.

On the high ground they feed on tree toads, slugs and insects of many sorts. To secure one or two of these beautiful reptiles is not easy but may be accomplished with a long-handled, light net, a quick eye and ready hand.

Kept in a rosy box with glass sides, a good-sized pool and a bed of dry leaves, with some small plants and moss and placed where a warm, generous flood of sunlight can bathe the box and its contents nearly all day, the brown snake will be content to know its keeper.

To take his food from the latter's fingers and to teach him many ways and habits of snakes not to be learned from books.

Three Famous Battles. The Battle of the Giants was another name given to the battle at Marignano in 1515 between the allied French and Venetian and the allied Italian and Swiss armies.

The battle of Bosworth a king was killed and a king was crowned on the same day, August 14, 1485. The slain monarch was Richard III. and the victor was Henry VII.

The actual fighting in the memorable campaign of 1815 commenced at Charleroi, Belgium, and continued for three days.

Mr. George H. Wilson, the inventor, will be at Willard's Hotel November 12 and 13, a. m. 5 p. m. Mr. Wilson's own device brought about the discovery of this wonderful and yet simple device. It is a wonderful and yet simple device. It is a wonderful and yet simple device.

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